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REASON EL SALVADOR WAS SUPPORTING THE LIFTING OF SANCTIONS WAS BECAUSE THERE WAS A SIGNIFICANT GROUP OF YOUNG ARMY OFFICERS IN THE EL SALVADORAN ARMY WHO WERE PRO-CASTRO, AND THAT THE SALVADORAN GOVERNMENT HAD DECIDED TO ATTEMPT TO APPEASE THEM BY TAKING THE POSITION THEY DID. BORGONOVO TOLD MONTIEL THAT EL SALVADOR WOULD NOT ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH CUBA.

12. MONTIEL SAID THAT MOLINA, THE GUATEMALAN FONMIN, WHO IS ALSO A PERSONAL FRIEND, HAD PERSONALLY FAVORED THE LIFTING OF SANCTIONS BUT THAT HE HAD BEEN UNABLE TO MOVE PRESIDENT LAUGERUD.

13. FONMON MONTIEL EXPRESSED HIS ADMIRATION FOR THE DIGNIFIED AND CAREFUL MANNER IN WHICH DEPUTY SECRETARY INGERSOL AND ASSISTANT SECRET

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SECRETARY ROGERS HAD CARRIED OUT A VERY DIFFICULT ROLE UNDER PRESSURE

FROM BOTH SIDES.

14. SUMMARIZING THE CONVERSATION, MONTIEL MADE THE FOLLOWING SPECIFIC POINTS: (1) HE BELIEVED THAT THE QUITO MEETING WAS PRE-MATURE AND ILL-PREPARED BY COSTA RICA, VENEZUELA, AND COLOMBIA. (2) HE BELIEVED THAT THE PRESTIGE OF FACIO HAD SERIOUSLY SUFFERED. (3). THAT VENEZUELA HAD PLAYED A LESS VIGOROUS ROLE THAN MIGHT HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE. (4) THE FONMIN OF COLOMBIA, FOR REASONS WHICH HE COULD NOT EXPLAIN, HAD FAR EXCEEDED THE MORMAL LIMITS OF ADVOCACY. (5) THAT BOTH MEXICO AND BRAZIL HAD MAINTAINED A LOW PROFILE IN THESE DISCUSSIONS. (6) THAT SEVERAL OF THE VOTES SUCH AS EL SALVADOR WERE BASED EXCLUSIVELY ON NARROW DOMESTIC PRESSURE CONSIDERATIONS. (7) THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC'S POSITION WAS BASED EXCLUSIVELY ON THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC'S FONMIN HOPE TO ENHANCE HIS POSSIBILITY FOR THE OAS SECRETARY GENERAL-SHIP, WHICH WAS ALSO THE BASIC MOTIVATION FOR COSTA RICAN FONMIN FACIO'S EFFORTS. (8) THAT THE UNITED STATE'S ROLE HAD BEEN DIGNIFIED, CORRECT, AND HE FELT CONSTRUCTIVE, AND WOULD BE RECOGNIZED AS SUCH AFTER PASSIONS HAD DIED DOWN, AND (9) THAT NO PERMANENT SERIOUS DAMAGE HAS BEEN DONE TO THE OAS STRUCTURE.

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